

[DISCUSSION DRAFT]

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113TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. _____

To amend the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act to apply to Delegates and Resident Commissioners to the Congress, and to employees of committees and leadership offices of Congress, the requirement of such Act that the only health plans that the Federal Government may make available to Members of Congress and congressional staff are plans created or offered through an Exchange established under such Act.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Mr. BARR introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee
on _____

A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. TREATMENT OF DELEGATES, COMMITTEE**
4 **STAFF, AND LEADERSHIP OFFICE STAFF**
5 **UNDER PATIENT PROTECTION AND AFFORD-**
6 **ABLE CARE ACT.**

7 (a) APPLICATION OF SAME REQUIREMENTS APPLI-
8 CABLE TO MEMBERS AND EMPLOYEES OF MEMBER OF-
9 FICES.—Section 1312(d)(3)(D) of the Patient Protection
10 and Affordable Care Act (42 U.S.C. 18032(d)(3)(D)) is
11 amended by striking clause (ii) and inserting the following:

12 “(ii) TREATMENT OF DELEGATES AND
13 RESIDENT COMMISSIONER.—In this sub-
14 paragraph, the term ‘Member of Congress’
15 includes a Delegate or Resident Commis-
16 sioner to the Congress.

17 “(iii) CONGRESSIONAL STAFF DE-
18 FINED.—In this subparagraph, the term
19 ‘Congressional staff’ means a full-time or
20 part-time employee of any of the following
21 offices:

22 “(I) The office of any Member of
23 Congress.

24 “(II) The office of any standing,
25 select, or joint committee of Congress.

1 “(III) An office of the House of
2 Representatives for which the appro-
3 priation for salaries and expenses of
4 the office for the year involved is pro-
5 vided under the heading ‘House Lead-
6 ership Offices’ in the act making ap-
7 propriations for the Legislative
8 Branch for the fiscal year involved (in
9 addition to any office of a Member of
10 Congress referred to in subclause (I)).

11 “(IV) The offices of the Presi-
12 dent pro Tempore, Majority and Mi-
13 nority Leaders, Majority and Minority
14 Whips, Conferences of the Majority
15 and of the Minority, and Majority and
16 Minority Policy Committees of the
17 Senate (in addition to any office of a
18 Member of Congress referred to in
19 subclause (I)).”.

20 (b) **EFFECTIVE DATE.**—The amendment made by
21 subsection (a) shall take effect as if included in the enact-
22 ment of subtitle D of title I of the Patient Protection and
23 Affordable Care Act.